

### Portage County 4-H Courier

**Bimonthly Periodical** 



### **June / July 2023**

#### Letter from the President

I'm pleased to announce that the 4-H cookbook is complete and ready to sell. Be sure to get your copy. It's full of 350 fantastic recipes!

I know you are all busy with fair prep. I'm excited to see all your projects! Good luck everyone!

Malayna Polum

Portage County 4-H Leaders Association President

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### Looking for some new recipes?

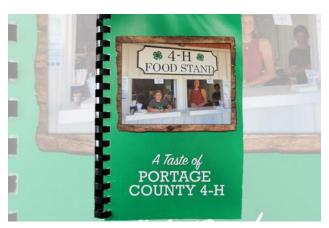
### The Portage County 4-H Cookbook is now available!

The book includes 350 recipes from our very own 4-H families!

The cookbooks are available for \$15 at the following locations:

- Feltz Family Farms and Dairy Store (5796 Porter Dr, Stevens Point, WI 54482)
- Rural Mutual Insurance (3205 Post Rd, Stevens Point, WI 54481)
- Portage County Extension Office (1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481)

All funds raised from cookbook sales will go towards supporting 4-H program costs.



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### **JUNE**

- 2 Amherst Fair Entry Forms Due
- 3 Barn Quilt Workshop, Boston School Forest, 9:00am-3:00PM
- 5 Rosholt Fair Entries Open
- 7 Ceramics Workshop, Boston School Forest,
- 9-10 Junior Summer Camp (Grades 3-6), Central WI Environmental Station in Amherst
- 10 Portage County Dairy-Palooza, 11:00am-2:00pm, Feltz's Dairy Store
- 19 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 6:30 PM

### <u>JULY</u>

- 4 UW-Extension Office Closed (Independence Day)
- 6 Clothing Revue, Annex Rooms 1 & 2, 4:00pm registration, starts at 5:00pm
- 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, Amherst Fairgrounds, 6:00 PM
- 4-H Teen Leaders Meeting/Food Stand Cleanup, Amherst Fairgrounds, 6:00 PM
- 13-16 Portage County Amherst Fair
- 19 Rosholt Fair Entries due in FairEntry

### <u>AUGUST</u>

- 3 4-H Family Swim Party, Donald Copps Municipal Pool, 6:30-8:30pm
- 3-13 Wisconsin State Fair
- 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
- 27 Rosholt Fair Clean-Up Day NEED TWO PEOPLE FROM EACH CLUB
- 31 Exhibits are brought to the Rosholt Fair

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 1-4 Rosholt Fair
- 7 Rosholt Fair Carcass Contest
- 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, 6:30 PM

### Wisconsin 4-H Policy for Participation in Parades

The policy for participation in parades has been updated. The most notable change is that parade drivers of 4-H parade floats need to be an authorized driver of the University of Wisconsin –Madison. To read the full parade participation policy click <a href="https://businessservices.wisc.edu/documents/volunteer-driver-form/">https://businessservices.wisc.edu/documents/volunteer-driver-form/</a>. Please submit this form to the Portage County Extension Office.

### **Cake Decorating Workshop**

Plans for the 2023 cake decorating workshop are currently underway! Once we have all details finalized we will send out more information.



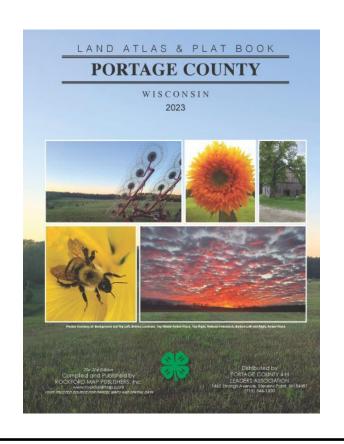


2442 Sims Ave, Stevens Point, WI 54481

### **NEW 2023 PORTAGE COUNTY PLAT BOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**

#### Available for \$40 at the following locations:

- AgCountry Farm Credit Services, Stevens Point
- Arnott Milling Co., Stevens Point
- BMO Harris Bank, Post Rd in Plover
- Community First Bank, Rosholt & Stevens Point
- Feltz's Dairy Store, Stevens Point
- Firkus Lumber Company, Rosholt
- International Bank of Amherst
- Jay-Mar, Inc., Plover
- Jensen Community Center, Amherst
- OK Hardware & Rental. Amherst
- Portage County Bank, Almond
- Portage County Extension Office, Stevens Point
- Rural Mutual Insurance, Plover
- Sand County Equipment, Bancroft



# **Cultural Arts**

### 2023 Portage County 4-H Clothing Revue

WHEN: Thursday, July 6th, 5:00PM (Registration starts at 4:00pm)

WHERE: Courthouse Annex, Rooms 1 & 2

REGISTER BY: June 30th

Clothing Project members, Exploring Project members, and Cloverbuds are encouraged to participate in the Clothing Revue! This is an opportunity for 4-Hers to show off their skills with clothing they made themselves or their consumer savvy with garments they purchased. (Cloverbuds receive participation ribbons and Explorers receive premiums under the Exploring Class unless also enrolled in the Clothing Project).

Clothing Revue registration forms are available online through the 4-H Forms & Applications Page (bottom of the page) at <a href="https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/">https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/</a> or contact the Extension office to have registrations forms sent to you.

Changes have been made regarding the Wisconsin State Fair Clothing Revue deadlines and entry procedure. Youth no longer need to be selected at a County Level Clothing Revue Show in order to apply to participate in the State Fair Clothing Revue. Funding from the Portage County 4H Leaders Association will be available for the two top members competing in the County Style Review competition.

Cloverbuds and Explorers who are not enrolled in the Clothing Project do <u>not</u> need to fill out a registration form, but their parents <u>do</u> need to contact the Extension Office at 715-346-1462 to let us know they are attending.







### AMHERST FAIR



### This Year's Theme: "Small Town Big Fair"

The Amherst Fair will be here quickly. As we, the board, plan for the fair, we ask that club leaders, parents, and FFA and 4-H members plan also. Not only working with their animals, finishing projects, but also helping/volunteering at the fair. We especially need help on Friday, July 14th, helping with judging and Saturday, July 15th. We will be having fair work nights on Monday, July 10th and Tuesday July 11th as well from 6:00-9:00PM and could use volunteers.

Please contact Tim or Sue Pederson at 715-824-2620 to volunteer. Your help is GREATLY appreciated.

### **Amherst Fair Food Stand**

Planning for the 4-H food stand is currently underway. We will be sending more information to clubs and families once we have more details. The 4-H Teens would like to thank everyone for their support of the food stand fundraiser throughout the years! Without help from club volunteers it would not continue to be the success it has been.

**Amherst Fair Food Stand Clean Up** 

July 10, 2023 @ 6:00 PM—Amherst Fairgrounds

Teen volunteers are needed for both the clean up on Monday, July 10th and to help close down the food stand on Sunday, July 16th, as well as to help run the food stand!



### Portage County Fair - Amherst 2023 Schedule

### Thursday – July 13<sup>th</sup> 2023

### Gate \$6.00/Day \$15.00 Season Tickets VIP Pass \$40.00 (includes 3 day gate/Tractor Pulls & Demo

#### \*\* Fair Opens at 5:00 pm

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Fair Entries

 $6:00 \text{ pm} - 10:00 \text{ pm} \\ 6:00 \text{ pm} - 10:00 \text{ pm} \\ \text{Registration Starts for Pedal Tractor Races - Fair Office}$ 

6:00 - 8:00 pm Face to face Cake Judging

6:30 pm Tractor/Truck Pull - See Fair's Webpage for classes \$8.00

7:30 pm - 11:00 pm Music By "Around Town"

### Friday – July 14<sup>th</sup> 2023

8:30 am Judging Poultry, Waterfowl - Husky Hansen Building
8:30 am Judging Swine - Husky Hansen Building
9:00 am Judging Small Animals (cats etc.) - Ruth Otto Building
9:00 am Judging Youth Exhibit Building - Ruth Otto Building

10:30 am Judging Sheep - Husky Hansen Building 1:00 pm Judging Beef – Beef/Dairy Barn

5:00 pm Carnival Opens bring a non-perishable/non expired can good and you can get 20

tickets for \$10.00 or Rides at regular prices

Regular price tickets single \$1.25 or 10 for \$10.00 rides take 3 tickets or more

6:30 pm Tractor/Truck Pull - See Fair's Webpage for classes \$8.00 7:00 pm Cake Auction – Ruth Otto Building – Open to the Public

8:30 pm - 12:30 am Music by "Ask Your Mother."

### Saturday - July 15<sup>th</sup> 2023

8:30 am Rabbits – Rabbit Building 9:00 am Swine Ultrasound

9:00 am Judging Dairy – Beef/Dairy Building

10.00 amJudging Dairy & Meat Goats – Husky Hansen Building12:00 pmParade – Downtown Theme "Small Town Big Fair"12:00 pm - 4:00 pmWristband \$20.00 – Advance sales \$17.00 See fair website.5:00 pm - 9:00 pmWristband \$20.00 – Advance sales \$17.00 See fair website.

2:00 pm Ag Olympics - Husky Hansen Building
3:00 pm Demolition Derby - Gate \$10.00
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Music by "Stetsin & Lace"
9:30 pm - 12:30 am Music by "Heart of Black"

### **Sunday - July 16<sup>th</sup> 2023**

### **Free** Admission ALL DAY

8:00 am Judging Dog Obedience – Camp Bandy

9:00 am Judging Horses - Rodeo Arena

9:00 am to Noon Breakfast – Bar Area – Ambrosia Pub & Grill

9:00 am Volleyball Tourney

11:30 am Check in - Pedal Tractor Races

12:00 pm Registration Pedal Tractor Races if spots open (Registration started on Thursday)

12:00 pm Pedal Tractor Races – Courtyard

12:00 pm Carnival Opens

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Wristband \$20.00 – Advance sales \$17.00 See fair website.

12:00 pm Corn Hole Tournament – Big Tent

1:00 pm Bingo – Bar Area

1:00 pm Animal Market Sale - Open to Public - Husky Hansen Building

3:30 pm Parade of Champions - Husky Hansen Building

4:30 pmAnimals Released4:30 - 6:00 pmExhibits Released6:00 pmRaffle Drawing

Website - Amherstfair.com

## ROSHOLT FAIR 2023

### **SEPTEMBER 1-4, 2023**

### **ROSHOLT FAIR ENTRIES**



The Rosholt Fair will be using the same online system as last year: **FairEntry**. Instructions for setting up your account and adding entries are on the next page.

### . All entries are due in the system by July 19th!

- 4-H exhibitors will sign up for exhibits using their 4-H Online Account information. Exhibitors will be able to indicate whether they want to show an entry through their 4-H club or FFA chapter.
- Cloverbuds do not add entries; they can just bring their exhibit to the fair. You do not need to add them to your family's account.
- If you need computer assistance, feel free to set up an appointment to use a computer and add entries at the Portage County Extension Office (715-346-1462).



### ENTERING A CLUB BOOTH?

There's no form this year! Just let Lisa know at 715-346-1462 or <a href="mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu">lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu</a> that your club would like space for a booth. Also let her know if you will need to be by an electric outlet.

### ROSHOLT FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Sunday, August 27th @ 1:00 PM Rosholt Fair Clean-Up Day
  We need at least two volunteers from each 4-H Club to help!
- · Thursday, August 31st Monday, September 4th

Volunteers are needed to help place exhibits on Thursday, to help with judging on Friday, and to help watch the Exhibit Building on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Please contact 715-346-1462 or <a href="mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu">lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu</a> if you can lend a hand for any amount of time! Your help is deeply appreciated!

### **READ BEFORE YOU START!**

### ONLINE ENTRIES FOR BOTH AMHERST & ROSHOLT FAIRS!

Visit <a href="http://rosholt.fairentry.com">http://rosholt.fairentry.com</a> to add your entries for the Rosholt Fair!

All entries are due in the system by July 19th!



### YOU STILL NEED TO USE YOUR FAIR BOOK!

Each exhibit you sign up for in FairEntry has a description to help you select the right one. The description does not contain all of the rules or requirements for the exhibit. You still need to consult the Fair Book to learn what the judge will be looking for. Many exhibits have size requirements or special instructions, such as including a 3x5" card with information about the exhibit.

Please visit <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PortageCountyFairBook">https://tinyurl.com/PortageCountyFairBook</a> to reference the 2023-2026 Portage County Fair Book.

### "CONTINUE TO PAYMENT" WILL NOT CHARGE YOU!

There are no entry fees for the Rosholt Fair. You will submit your entries by clicking

Continue to Payment

"Continue to Payment" and following the instructions, but no fees will be charged.

### COMPLETE YOUR WHOLE FAMILY BEFORE SUBMITTING

The "Continue to Payment" button is the final submission of all entries for all exhibitors in your family. Please make sure you have created all exhibitors and added their entries before clicking "Continue to Payment." Once submitted, you won't be able to add any new exhibitors or entries until your first ones get approved.



### HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP?

- Visit <a href="https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/">https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/</a> hover your mouse over "4-HYouth" and select "Rosholt Fair Entries" on the menu. Here you will find screenshot guides that will take you through adding entries click-by-click. There are also frequently asked questions available.
- Contact 715-346-1462 or lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu with any questions along the way!



### 4-H Senior Spotlight

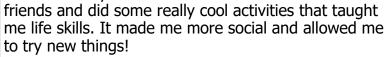
In this issue of the courier, it is our pleasure to spotlight our senior 4-H members. Every stepping stone in life deserves some special recognition and this is no exception. Each 4-H member creates their own journey. We hope you look back on your journey and smile and remember those experiences that helped you grow. Thank you for your dedication and leadership to you clubs and community. Your 4-H family is so proud of you all! Best of luck to our graduates! May you continue to shine bright in your future endeavors!



Maria Kildahl
13 year 4-H
member
Current Club:
Tomorrow River
Voyagers

#### Favorite 4-H Memory:

My favorite 4-H memory was being able to go to summer/winter camp. I made so many new



### Advice for younger 4-H members:

My advice to younger members is to get involved and take every opportunity to go on trips. A lot of members miss out on the national or international programs that 4H had to offer and I wish every member had the opportunity to participate in them. So, if given the chance to participate I encourage all members to go!

### **Post High School plans:**

I am attending Saint Norbert's College. I will major in political science and minor in business! I hope to become a small business lawyer.

### Zachary Kolodziej 10 year 4-H member of the Casimer Boosters Club

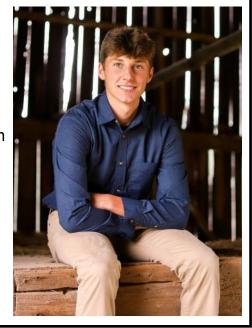
Favorite 4-H projects: Goat project

**4-H accomplishments:** My favorite 4-H accomplishment is winning Senior Poultry Showmanship.

**Advice for younger 4-H members:** My advice for younger 4-H members is not to be afraid of trying new projects. And become a youth leader in your projects which al-

lows you to mentor the new members.

Post High School plans: I will be attending UW-Stevens Point in the fall



# Jacob Spoelstra 13 year 4-H member Current Club: Tomorrow River Voyagers

**Favorite 4-H projects:** My favorite 4-H project that I have done is showing lambs at various levels of shows like State Fair and local Portage County Fairs.

Advice for younger 4-H members: Go and try out new things, you might find that you enjoy them.

Post High School plans: Attending the University of Wisconsin -Stout for Engineering Technology.



## Julia Ross 11 year 4-H member of the Rosholt Pioneers Club

**Favorite 4-H memory/4-H accomplishments:** 

My favorite 4-H accomplishments are always the ones with my beef and pigs, it is always so rewarding when you work so hard all year and then win with that animal. Two of my favorite memories of showing would probably be when I won intermediate beef showman for the very first, and so far only time. The second memory I cherish is when I won senior swine showmanship, although it was not my first time winning swine showmanship, that was the first time that I truly felt I earned it and made my older siblings, who also showed in 4-H, proud of me.

Advice for younger 4-H members: Never be afraid to push yourself out of your comfort zones to try new things and work hard to become successful in whatever you do, always do your best even when your best might not look the same as other people's bests.



**Post High School plans:** I will be attending UW Stout to pursue a bachelors in

interior design and a minor in business management.

### **Candace Lein**

### **10** year 4-H member of the Almond Busy Bees Club



**Favorite 4-H Project:** Beef project, I love teaching others how to show beef cattle and helping them improve.

Advice for younger 4-H members: Don't be afraid to ask others for help. We may seem scary, but we just want to help making the best better.

**Post High School plans:** Iowa State University for a major in animal science. I plan to take the pre-vet route.



# Jillian Bruder 8 year 4-H member Current Club: Sunnyside Climbers

**Favorite 4-H memory/4-H accomplishments:** State dog show

**Advice for younger 4-H members:** Explore new projects

**Post High School plans:** College for veterinary medicine





### **Haley Jo Lynch**

### 4 year 4-H member of the River Valley Riders Club

**Favorite 4-H projects:** By far my favorite project with my 4H group was our float for Christmas Parade downtown. It was awesome to see how excited the younger group members

**Favorite 4-H Memory:** Thanks to the support of my club and advisors of my 4H group I was able to win my first trophy last summer at the Amherst fair. I will never forget how good it felt to be recognized for all the work I did with Lucy.

**Advice for younger 4-H members:** My advice for up and coming presidents and club members is to have fun. Winning ribbons and awards at show can be great but the memories you make with your club are far more important.

**Post High School plans:** Attending UWSP to major in Marine Biology and Environmental Science. I'd also like to take classes in Entomology.





Pictured left: 4-H graduates from the Tomorrow River Voyagers Club. Left to Right—Ethan Zilisch, Jacob Spoelstra & Maria Kildahl

### Leader's Board Minutes



### Portage County 4-H Leaders Board - March 2023

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association meeting held on 3-20-23, via Zoom and in person at the Annex conference rooms 1 & 2, was called to order by President Malayna Polum at 7:02 pm. Pledges were recited and roll call with introductions was taken. PRESENT: Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Malayna Polum and Michelle Waltenberg (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Sharon Cisewski (Plover Clovers), Jan Miller (Rosholt Piotat Mrozinski and Juniper Rydberg (Casimer Boosters). Agnes Mallek (Junction City Golden Stars) Dr. Barb

neers), Pat Mrozinski and Juniper Rydberg (Casimer Boosters), Agnes Mallek (Junction City Golden Stars) Dr. Barb Kasprowicz (Almond Busy Bees), Kathy Glodowski (County-Wide) and Connie Creighton, 4-H Youth Development Agent. Guest Jeremy Solin, Extension Area Director, thanked everyone for all they do for the 4-H program.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: State and National Experiences and New Youth Leadership Literature | MINUTES: Minutes were approved as printed.

OFFICER REPORTS: Treasurer's Report: Checking \$20,924.23 Savings \$ 3,799.79 | Income: \$360 plat book sales, \$90 winter camp, \$1,650 American Spirit, \$50 dues | Expense \$7,032.75 350 plat books, \$470 summer camp, \$739 literature and prizes | Treasurer's report was placed on file. | Secretary's Report and Correspondence: None

OLD BUSINESS: Cookbook Fundraiser – Malayna presented invoice for ordering 500 cookbooks. Total bill is \$3,319.25. Actual number of books printed will be 550. Cost per book approximately \$6.00. Plan to sell books for \$10.00. Motion by Dr. Barb, second by Juniper to order 500 books. Motion passed. Possible sale locations: Feltz Dairy, Teen Leader Food Booth. 4-H desk at Rosholt Fair, Jenny Zinda (Rural Insurance). | Fair Book Revision Committee – Recommendations received have been added to fair book. Welding section added, separation of pre-molded and raw clay items for ceramics, deleted age group grades 3-5 in youth leadership due to lack of participation and added item for exhibiting completed sections of new youth leadership literature. Amherst will have a separate electronic fair book that will have different livestock classes. Other sections of the book will be the same as the printed Rosholt Fair Book. Hope to have the Amherst Fair Book completed by the end of the week.

NEW BUSINESS: Get well soon card for Gavin Mlodik – 4-H member who was severely injured in an accident. Has two broken legs. Should be up and walking by June. Marilyn requested address so she can send a Get-Well card. | Plat Book – 4-H photos will be used for front cover again. Still need to provide Rockford with phone directory. New book will contain a free 4-H advertising page that will include the same State 4-H artwork that was used for the previous Plat Book. 350 books have been ordered. We pay Rockford Map \$20/book and resell books for \$40. Expected production date is May. |

Plant Sale – Current total for number of plants ordered is 1065 which is about 250 less than last year (2021 was 1311). Same delivery site as in the past, but drivers who deliver plants won't work on Saturdays, so delivery will be on Friday and plant pick-up will be Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.

Summer Camps – Junior Camp will be held at CWES. Camp counselor training has been set up. Juniper will be a camp counselor at the Upham Woods open camps. | County-Wide workshops/project meetings – Peeps contest going on now. Will be last virtual contest until fall. Sewing sessions were well attended. Connie would like to do virtual sewing sessions in the conference room. She asked Pat Mrozinski if Pat is willing to help. Pat said she gave Sharon a big box of patterns and games to use for previous sewing sessions. She will check with Sharon to see what areas still need to be covered. Connie is looking for a sewing machine to keep in the office. Pat Mrozinski has a new machine and is willing to lend her old sewing machine to be used long term. Other suggestions: have Rose Cobb teach quilting, virtual cooking, macrame, jewelry making, rockets, Lego models, photography and animal science workshops taught by teens. Portage County Scholarships – Some applicants have been received. Total number not known yet. Application needs to be printed in the 4-H Courier sooner. Applicants only had two weeks to complete applications.

Speaking & Demonstration Contests – 11 Speaking Contest entries and 3 Demonstration Contest entries. Heidi, Waushara County Educator will be the judge. Should take about 2 ½ hours so judge should be able to do both contests on the same day.

Clothing Review – Need a new location. Changing is a problem at the library. What about a June date? Would holding later on a weekday be better? What about holding on a weekend? Connie will do a survey.

### Leader's Board Minutes



### Portage County 4-H Leaders Board - March 2023 Continued

Other –State and National Experiences – Juniper recommended that the Leaders Association include trip |funding in their next budget. She had to pay the entire fee of \$1,600 to attend Citizenship Washington Focus due to lack of Leader Association support. She recommended that \$2,000 be budgeted each year to be divided up among the applicants with a maximum award of \$1,000 per applicant. Applicants could be selected using an interview process or a review of applications. State Youth Conference has been renamed 4-H Summer Academy. Youth in grades 7-10 are eligible to attend. Cost is \$350 per youth. It is a 4-day event (June 19-22) at the University of Wisconsin Madison campus. Youth can select one of 7 educational areas when they register. Cost of transportation is included in the registration fee. Registration opens on April 1st. Juniper, who is a member of the Wisconsin Leadership Conference (WLC), is helping to plan the event. |New Youth Leadership Literature – Jan passed around one copy of each of the two levels of the new Youth Leadership literature for grades 6-8 and grades 9-12. Cost per book is \$6.00. She stated that she is very impressed with the new format which requires youth to answer personal questions in each section. She is recommending that completion of 3 sections of the literature could be placed in a three ringed binder and submitted as an entry in the Youth Leadership department of the new fair book.

Agent Report – A Teen Leader Food Stand meeting, via Zoom, is scheduled for 1 p.m. on March 26th. Candice Wolosek, current Teen Leader Advisor, is looking for another adult leader to help her with the Teen Leader programs. Approximately 25 boxes of ceramic greenware are being donated to the 4-H program. Plans are being made to hold a ceramics workshop. Recommendation made to work with Louise Skornia. Sharon will check calendar for possible dates for a second barn quilt workshop. A virtual workshop for discussing the activity sheets in the 4-H Record Book will be scheduled soon. Candace Lein was one of the eight individuals selected from a very competitive pool of nominations to become part of the 4-H Pollinator Team Project. She received an all-expense paid scholarship to attend the National Agriculture Summit held on March 9-12 in Washington D.C.

Next Leaders Association Meeting Date – May 15, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm. | Yours in 4-H, Marilyn Pederson, Secretary



Pictured above: 4-H members and their families participated in a barn quilt workshop on June 3rd.

#### Casimer Boosters Club Report - March 2023

4-H Club Reports

The meeting was called to order at 6:28 PM on March 13,2023. Pledges were said and roll call was then taken.

**Old Business**: We talked about club dues being \$ 15 and club t-shirts. We talked about a movie night possibly being held at Bonnie's house. We discussed the 4H Demo and Speaking Contest entries being due on March 25, 2023.

**New Business:** The plant sale was due today March 13, 2023. April 1, 2023 is the last day to change fair projects. The Speaking and Demo contest is due on March 25, 2023. The Summer Academy registration opens in April for 7th to 10th graders.

We sang happy birthday to Bonnie over the phone as she was in Florida. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM. We then did a group activity led by Juniper.

#### Casimer Boosters Club Report - April 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM on April 10, 2023. Pledges were said and roll call was taken.

Old Business: Club dues are \$15 and are due at at the May meeting. We talked about having a movie night sometime in April.

**New Business:** We are doing a highway pickup on HWY X from North Second to Maple Drive sometime in April. We are looking into a cookout fundraiser for our club. There will be a summer academy for 7th to 10th graders at UW-Madison on June 19th through the 22nd. The Place of Peace meal is on May 4th and starts at 5:00 PM. There will be a summer junior camp held on June 9th and 10th. We will talk about club t-shirts at the next meeting.

We then did an Easter Egg hunt around the church and Pat gave a presentation on gardening.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM.

#### Casimer Boosters Club Report - May 2023

The meeting was called to order on May 8, 2023 at 6:37 PM. Pledges were said and roll call was taken.

**Old Business:** Club dues are due on May 8, 2023. The Place of Peace meal was May 4, 2023 and it went very well. Drake entered a peeps contest with his Civil War peeps diorama.

**New Business:** Bonnie will send out information about highway pickup when there is a set date. We are hosting a cookout at Festival Foods on August 12, 2023. Summer academy registration was extended to May 10, 2023 and is now open to Juniors. It will be held at UW-Madison. Summer camp registration is due May 9, 2023 for 3rd through 6th graders at CWES. Club t-shirt forms were due today. Entries for Amherst fair are due on June 2, 2023. June dairy day Palooza is on June 10, 2023 and you can sign up on sign-up genius to volunteer. There will be a ceramic workshop on June 7th at 6:00 PM held at the Boston School Forest. You can sign up on 4H online. The next meeting is going to be on June 12, 2023 and we will be making our own ice cream sundaes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM. Juniper then did a presentation about making dog toys with old t-shirts.

Congratulations to Isla Kadoch from the River Valley Riders for winning the Fair Book Cover Contest! Pictured to the right is her winning submission.







Pictured above & below: 4-H members and their families participated in ceramics painting workshops that were held on May 17th and June7th.



Pictured Below: Carson Climbers club members, Ashlyn, Madison, Joshua, Koy & Easton during their club spring highway cleanup



### **EXTENSION STAFF**

JEREMY SOLIN, AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR

CONNIE CREIGHTON, 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AGENT

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VACANT, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENT

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TOR

PENNY SCHMITT, NUTRITION EDUCATOR, FOODWISE

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